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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE TOWN OF
BOW
NEW HAMPSHIRE



FOR THE YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31

1920

ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
Town and School District Officers
ALSO
LIBRARY TRUSTEES
OF THE
TOWN OF BOW

For the Year Ending
JANUARY 31, 1920

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TOWN OFFICERS.

Moderator.

ROBERT W. UPTON.

Representative.

CLARENCE J. COLBY.

Selectmen.

ARTHUR M. CASE.

CHARLES S. GOODRICH.

M. E. WARRINER.

Treasurer.

SAM SARGENT.

Auditor.

FRANK E. COLBY.

Supervisors.

JOHN P. ELLIOTT.

WESLEY L. WHEELER.

EDWARD D. MCALISTER.

Tax Collector.

EDWIN A. COLBY.

Health Officer.

JOHN P. ELLIOTT.

Library Trustees.

RUFUS H. BAKER, President.

ROBERT W. UPTON, Treasurer.

FRANK E. WOODBURY.

STICKNEY F. SHORT.

DAVID W. WHITE.

Sexton.

PERLEY A. CLOUGH.

Police Officer.

GEORGE A. DREW.

Highway Surveyors.

- District No. 1—Burt Brown.
2—Perley A. Clough, Frank D. Clough.
3—E. M. Vail.
4—Ernest F. Rowe.
5—Carl D. Ogden.
6—Cyrus E. Colby.
7—Walter Putney.
8—W. P. Dow.
9—Frank E. Woodbury.
10—Almond S. Colby.
11—Hamilton Colby.
12—Charles H. Hadley.
13—Fred Hodgman.
14—Sanford Sidelinger.

TOWN WARRANT.

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

[L. S.]

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Bow, in the County of Merrimack in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the town hall in said Bow on Tuesday, the 9th day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation for the same.
3. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the repair of highways in addition to the amount required by law.
4. To see if the town will accept state aid on highways.
5. To see what sum the town will raise for Old Home Day.
6. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of \$108 for electric lights at Bow Mills.
7. To see what sum of money the town will raise to repair the highway from Burt Brown's to the Heath Mill.
8. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Town Warrant—Continued.

Given under our hands and seal, this 18th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and twenty.

ARTHUR M. CASE,
CHARLES S. GOODRICH,
MARK E. WARRINER,

Selectmen of Bow.

A true copy of warrant—attest:

ARTHUR M. CASE,
CHARLES S. GOODRICH,
MARK E. WARRINER,

Selectmen of Bow.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

INVENTORY OF TOWN, APRIL 1, 1919.

Polls, 184, at \$3,		\$552.00
Lands and buildings:		
Resident,	\$386,405.00	
Non-resident,	697,375.00	
	<hr/>	1,083,780.00
Horses:		
Resident, 148,	\$18,135.00	
Non-resident, 1,	175.00	
	<hr/>	18,310.00
Oxen:		
Resident, 2,	\$250.00	
Non-resident, 2,	150.00	
	<hr/>	400.00
Cows:		
Resident, 339,	\$23,685.00	
Non-resident, 5,	375.00	
	<hr/>	24,060.00
Neat Stock:		
Resident, 61,	\$2,660.00	
Non-resident, 2,	80.00	
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Sheep, 49,		288.00
Hogs, 18, .		380.00
Fowls, 745,		924.00
Vehicles (autos), 31,		9,075.00
Mills, 9,		1,825.00
Wood and lumber:		
Resident,	\$530.00	
Non-resident,	12,500.00	
	<hr/>	13,030.00

Inventory of Town—Continued.

Money at interest,		\$5,165.00
Bank stock:		
Resident,	\$1,750.00	
Non-resident,	1,000.00	
	<hr/>	2,750.00
Stock in trade,		400.00
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		\$1,163,127.00

NEW CONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENTS.

HIGHWAY AND BRIDGES—STATE AID CONSTRUCTION.

The town, with the aid of the state, built 8,183 feet of new road and rebuilt 6,178 feet of old, a total of 14,361 feet. This construction makes a continuous state-aid road from the Concord line on South Street to the turnpike at Bow Centre.

Mr. Mark E. Warriner, selectman, was superintendent and paymaster.

Mr. Sam Ferguson of Bristol was foreman.

Detail of Payments.

Sam Ferguson, foreman,	\$330.00
Joseph Smith, team,	379.33
E. J. Hemphill, team,	219.63
Martin Christianson, team,	286.41
Fletcher Clough, team,	343.91
Sanford Sidelinger, team,	280.35
Oscar Nelson, team,	267.30
S. F. Short, team,	239.18
A. Sterling Colby, team,	166.95
Harry Clough, team,	151.03
E. D. McAlister, team,	7.30
Carl Ogden, shoveler,	145.15
Ai Hammond, shoveler,	160.02
Oliver Vassor, shoveler,	114.35
Fred White, shoveler,	87.97
E. P. Swaidemark, shoveler,	99.97
Henry Saltmarsh, shoveler,	128.01

Highway and Bridges—State Aid Construction—Continued.

Frank White, shoveler,	\$156.66
George Drew, Jr., shoveler,	152.02
William Saltmarsh, shoveler,	143.34
Herbert Drew, shoveler,	148.36
Everette Bolis, shoveler,	119.68
Arthur Hanson, shoveler,	122.37
Herman Drew, shoveler,	110.32
Alonzo Saltmarsh, shoveler,	128.66
William Murray, shoveler,	126.68
Leo Murray, shoveler,	114.34
Henry Murray, shoveler,	108.68
Edgar Tenny, shoveler,	90.34
Willie Elliott, shoveler,	76.09
Arthur Sargent, shoveler,	62.98
Henry Drew, shoveler,	61.65
Oscar Hanson, shoveler,	60.67
Ralph Austin, shoveler,	76.67
Daniel Wentworth, shoveler,	40.67
William Wentworth, shoveler,	37.67
Charles Flanders, shoveler,	38.67
Enos Foote, shoveler,	33.35
August Westman, shoveler,	43.65
Ed Griffin, shoveler,	28.65
Phillip Sargent, shoveler,	29.00
George Dow, shoveler,	24.00
Chester Colby, shoveler,	22.65
Charles Hemphill, shoveler,	21.00
Elvin Prusia, shoveler,	19.67
Harry Smith, shoveler,	19.00
Frank D. Clough, shoveler,	25.82
Nils A. Nordine, shoveler,	20.00
Edgar Warriner, shoveler,	18.00
Solon Colby, shoveler,	17.17
Sam Pippin, shoveler,	6.00
Heil Allbee, shoveler,	6.00
Henry Cheney, shoveler,	6.00
Ben Foote, shoveler,	5.00
Leo Martell, shoveler,	5.66

Highway and Bridges—State Aid Construction—Continued.

Alva Colby, shoveler,	\$4.00	
John Hurd, shoveler,	3.00	
Arthur Foote, shoveler,	2.00	
Penn Metal Co., culverts,	148.92	
Henry Smith, 1,127 loads of grade at 10 cents,	112.70	
Joseph Smith, 941 loads of grade at 10 cents,	94.10	
Chester Colby, 204 loads of grade at 10 cents,	20.40	
Joseph Clough, 72 loads of grade at 10 cents,	7.20	
Mrs. Viola White, 41 loads of grade at 10 cents,	4.10	
Mrs. Thomas Cote, 225 loads of clay, at 12½ cents,	26.88	
C. W. Flanders, board for foreman,	80.00	
A. H. Britton & Co., tools,	67.35	
Thompson & Hoague, tools,	59.60	
New England Road Machine Co., Rooter Plow and tools,	41.50	
W. S. Dole, cement,	14.40	
Hutchinson Building Co., guard rails,	55.06	
J. Swenson Granite Co., dynamite,	7.00	
J. B. Varick, dynamite,	6.25	
J. C. McLaughlin, blacksmith,	3.25	
Fred J. Shedd, posts,	2.55	
Abbot Downing, blacksmith,	1.90	
Martin Christianson, road brush,	1.50	
Federal Express Co., dynamite,	.79	
		<hr/> \$6,501.09

AMOUNT OF TAXES AND RATES.

State tax,	\$4,338.00	
State tax (war service),	964.00	
	<hr/>	\$5,302.00
County tax,		1,761.43
Town maintenance,		2,500.00

Highway and Bridges—State Aid Construction—Continued.

State aid for road construction,	\$1,749.00
Motor vehicle law maintenance,	500.00
Town charges,	900.00
Old Home Day,	50.00
Library appropriation,	25.00
Street lighting,	108.00
White pine blister eradication,	125.00
Soldiers' honor roll,	100.00

For School District.

School money by law (\$3.50 per \$1,000 valuation),	\$4,070.00	
School money by vote,	1,500.00	
School money by vote,	1,000.00	
School head tax,	276.00	
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		\$19,966.43
Amount taken from surplus,		2,000.00
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		\$17,966.43

The five per cent excess allowed by law was not raised.

Rate of taxation *1.50 per cent or \$1.50* on \$100.

Property exempted to soldiers:

Real estate,	\$600.00	
Personal property,	165.00	
	<hr/>	\$765.00

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

ASSETS.		LIABILITIES.	
Cash in hands of treasurer,	\$4,402.60	Due to school district:	\$100.82
Joint highway accounts, in state treasury,	454.88	Dog license money,	1,823.50
Due from county,	19.50	School money,	
Taxes not collected:		State and town joint highway accounts unexpended, balance in state treasury,	454.88
Levy 1916,	3.73	Balance in town treasury,	531.41
1918,	110.65	Old Home Day,	50.00
1919,	2,395.70	Library fund,	25.00
		White pine blister eradication,	125.00
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			\$3,110.61
		Excess of assets over liabilities or surplus,	4,276.45
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Total assets,	\$7,387.60		\$7,387.06

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF BOW FOR 1920.

Estimate of revenue and expenditures for the ensuing year, February 1, 1920, to January 31, 1921, compared with the actual revenue and expenditures of the previous year, February 1, 1919, to January 31, 1920.

SOURCE OF REVENUE.		PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES.	
	1919.	Estimated for 1920.	1919. Estimated for 1920.
From State:			
Railroad tax,	\$244.35	\$244.35	\$558.13
Savings bank tax,	1,170.98	1,170.98	123.35
Forest fires,	9.00	15.00	50.50
For Highways:			13.52
State aid maintenance,	375.00	700.00	10.00
From Local Sources Except Taxes:			
Rent of town hall,	38.00	25.00	10.00
Interest on taxes,	100.29	100.29	23.00
Permits for registration of motor vehicles,	50.02	100.02	5.00
Cemeteries,	20.00		3.25
From State:			
For state aid construction,	1,765.65	436.00	416.56
Dog licenses,	126.73	126.73	416.56
			2,673.94
			3,000.00

Total revenue from all sources except property taxes,
 Amount raised by property taxes,
 Bow

\$3,900.02	\$2,918.37	Street lighting,	\$108.00	\$108.00
18,089.04	17,041.08	General expense, highway department,	326.64	150.00
		Education:		25.00
		Libraries,		
		Charities:		
		Town poor,	5.00	5.00
		Patriotic Purposes:		
		Memorial Day,	112.50	60.00
		Cemeteries,	15.00	15.00
		Interest:		
		Temporary loan,	62.50	50.00
		State Aid Construction:		13
		Town contribution,	1,749.00	1,744.50
		State contribution,	437.25	436.00
		Town shed,	542.06	
		State taxes,	5,302.00	4,097.00
		County taxes,	1,761.43	1,943.95
		Schools,	6,700.00	6,000.00
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\$21,989.06	\$19,959.45		\$21,415.19	\$19,959.45

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY.

Town house land and buildings,	\$1,800.00
Furniture and equipment,	200.00
Library land, building and contents,	17,000.00
Two road machines,	250.00
Fifteen road scrapers,	300.00
Snow roller,	200.00
Tools for road building,	100.00
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	\$19,850.00

RECEIPTS.

Current revenue:

From local taxes, 1916-17-18,	\$1,948.09
From local taxes, 1919,	16,140.95

\$18,089.04

From state:

For highways:

State aid maintenance,	\$375.00
For state construction,	1,765.65
Railroad tax,	244.35
Savings bank tax,	1,170.98
Fighting forest fires,	9.00

From county:

For support of poor,	177.43
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From local sources except taxes:

Dog licenses,	126.73
Auto licenses,	50.02
Rent of town hall,	38.00
Interest received on taxes,	100.29
Tax abatements,	107.01
Cemetery lots sold,	20.00

\$22,273.00

Receipts other than current revenue,

Temporary loans in anticipation

of taxes during year,	\$3,000.00
Refunds,	16.98

3,016.98

Receipts—Continued.

Cash on hand at beginning of year, February 1, 1919,	\$6,368.19
Grand total,	<hr/> \$31,658.17
PAYMENTS.	
General government:	
Town officers' salaries,	\$558.13
Town officers' expenses,	123.35
Election and registration expenses,	50.50
Expenses of town hall,	13.52
Protection of persons and property:	
Police department,	10.00
Forest fires,	23.00
Health:	
Health officer,	5.00
Vital statistics,	3.25
Highways and bridges:	
State aid maintenance,	833.12
Town maintenance,	2,673.94
Street lighting,	108.00
General expense including watering troughs,	326.00
Charities:	
Town poor,	5.00
County poor,	196.93
Patriotic purposes:	
Honor roll and flags,	112.50
Cemeteries,	15.00
Unclassified:	
Damages,	45.00
Tax abatements,	107.01
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	\$5,209.89
Interest:	
Paid on temporary loan,	\$62.50

Payments—Continued.

New construction:

Highway and bridges:

State aid,	\$6,501.19
Town shed,	542.06

Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes,	3,000.00
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Payments to other governmental divisions:

Taxes paid to state,	\$5,302.00	
Taxes paid to county,	1,761.43	
Payments to school districts,	4,876.50	
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		11,939.93

Total payments,	\$27,255.57
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Cash on hand at end of year,	
January 31, 1920,	4,402.60
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Grand total,	\$31,658.17
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NEW CONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENTS.

Lands and buildings:

Town shed—

Harry Clough, hauling lumber from Burnham's mill to Bow Centre,	\$6.00
Capital Hardware Co., hardware,	45.02
A. L. Burnham, lumber,	17.22
W. Carpenter, window and paint,	17.10
Frank D. Clough, hauling lumber and cement,	27.50
Holt Bros. Mfg. Co., feed boxes,	4.65
Boutwell and Upton, lumber,	128.68
Hutchinson Building Co., lumber, trim, and cement,	114.71
Charles S. Goodrich, labor and material furnished,	82.60
J. P. Elliott, labor,	37.50

Payments—Continued.

Lewis A. Putney, labor,	\$12.00	
Fred J. Shedd, labor,	7.50	
Everette A. Bolis, labor,	10.50	
Carl D. Ogdén, labor,	19.50	
Richard Putney, team and labor,	6.50	
Walter Putney, labor,	3.00	
Henry Saltmarsh, labor,	3.00	
Henry Clough, labor,	1.50	
	<hr/>	\$542.06

DETAIL STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS.

CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSE.

General Government.

Town officers' salaries:

Mark E. Warriner, selectman,	\$168.95
Arthur M. Case, selectman,	148.18
C. S. Goodrich, selectman,	72.00
Sam Sargent, treasurer,	50.00
Houghton Finch, town clerk,	40.00
Edwin A. Colby, tax collector (sal- ary \$100.00), on account,	75.00
Frank E. Colby, auditor,	4.00

 \$558.13

Town officers' expenses:

E. C. Eastman Co., stationery,	\$16.00
E. C. Eastman Co., stationery,	8.20
E. C. Eastman, stationery,	4.80
E. C. Eastman, stationery,	3.21
E. C. Eastman, stationery,	1.09
Rumford Press, town reports,	64.00
Phaneuf & Son, stationery,	3.40
Phaneuf & Son, stationery,	4.00
Traffic Sign & Signal Co., signs,	1.50
Sam Sargent, treasurer, postage, etc.	5.50
Houghton Finch, town clerk, postage, etc.,	11.65

 \$123.35

Election and registration expenses:

Wesley Wheeler, supervisor,	\$2.00
E. D. McAlister, supervisor,	6.00
John P. Elliott, supervisor,	8.00
Frank Woodbury, ballot inspector,	8.00
J. F. Sargent, ballot inspector,	8.00
William A. White, ballot inspector,	8.00
Frank D. Clough, ballot inspector,	8.00
Robert W. Upton, moderator,	2.50

 \$50.50

Detail Statement of Payments—Continued.

Town hall expenses:

Capital Hardware Co., roof paint,	\$1.25	
Harry Smith, labor,	1.00	
Thompson & Hoague, hardware,	1.63	
Henry P. Clough, oil and chimneys,	3.64	
Henry P. Clough, janitor,	6.00	
	<hr/>	\$13.52

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY.

Police:

George A. Drew,	\$10.00
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Forest fires:

Frank D. Clough, fire warden,	\$1.00
Frank D. Clough, posting signs,	5.00

Fire on Newell farm:

C. W. Flanders, use of auto,	2.00
Otis Noyes, labor,	1.00
C. W. Howard, labor,	1.00
W. E. Smythe, labor,	1.00
A. J. Curtis, Jr., labor,	1.00
James English, labor,	1.00
C. H. Hadley, labor,	1.00
William Witherbee, labor,	1.00
George Willet, labor,	1.00
Burt Dean, labor,	1.00
Trueworthy Fowler, labor,	1.00
Carl Noyes, labor,	1.00
Fred White, labor,	1.00
Daniel Wentworth, labor,	1.00
E. Salls, labor,	1.00
A. M. Case, labor,	1.00
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\$23.00

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

John P. Elliott, health officer,	\$5.00
Vital statistics—birth and death reports:	
Joseph Theriault, M. D.,	\$0.25

Detail Statement of Payments—Continued.

B. L. Freeman, M. D.,	\$0.75	
E. E. Hill, M. D.,	.50	
L. A. Sanders, M. D.,	.50	
H. T. Togus, M. D.,	.25	
Joseph Therian, M. D.,	.25	
S. G. Morrill, M. D.,	.25	
W. P. Beauclerk, M. D.,	.25	
B. L. Forcier, M. D.,	.25	
	<hr/>	\$3.25

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

STATE AID MAINTENANCE.

Fred J. Shedd, patrolman,	\$833.12
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TOWN MAINTENANCE.

District No. 1.

Burt Brown,	\$76.96
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District No. 2.

Frank D. Clough,	\$126.33	
Perley A. Clough,	88.38	
	<hr/>	\$214.71

District No. 3.

E. M. Vail,	\$193.50	
Burt Alexander, grade,	16.00	
	<hr/>	\$209.50

District No. 4.

Ernest Rowe,	\$25.00	
H. B. Taylor,	201.68	
	<hr/>	\$226.68

District No. 5.

Carl D. Ogden,	\$90.20
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District No. 6.

E. D. McAlister,	\$170.19	
Mark E. Warriner,	4.00	
	<hr/>	\$174.19

District No. 7.

Walter Putney,	\$184.61
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*Detail Statement of Payments—Continued.**Town Maintenance.*

	<i>District No. 8.</i>	
Warren P. Dow,		\$169.41
	<i>District No. 9.</i>	
Frank Woodbury,		\$178.75
	<i>District No. 10.</i>	
A. Sterling Colby,		\$161.04
	<i>District No. 11.</i>	
H. M. Colby,		\$109.62
	<i>District No. 12.</i>	
C. H. Hadley,		\$242.00
	<i>District No. 13.</i>	
Fred Hodgman,		\$182.87
	<i>District No. 14.</i>	
Sanford Sidelinger,	\$150.95	
Frank E. Colby, posts and grade,	3.70	
	<hr/>	\$153.95
E. M. Vail, using road machine in districts 3, 8 and 12,	\$196.00	
Frank Clough, running road machine,	21.00	
	<hr/>	\$2,673.94
Street lighting at Bow Mills,		
Concord Electric Co.,		\$108.00

GENERAL EXPENSE.

Northeast Metal Culvert Co.:	
District No. 13, 2 culverts,	\$73.60
District No. 6, 2 culverts,	64.80
District No. 3, 2 culverts,	38.40
District No. 5, 1 culvert,	19.20
District No. 10, 1 culvert,	26.40
District No. 11, 2 culverts,	42.24
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	\$264.64
Hutchinson Building Co., tool box,	12.50
New England Road Machine Co.,	
scraper blades,	24.00

*Detail Statement of Payments—Continued.**Town Maintenance.*

Holt Bros. Mfg. Co., repair to road machine,	\$13.00	
Thompson & Hoague, hardware,	1.75	
Traffic Sign & Signal Co., sign boards,	6.75	
Watering troughs:		
Mrs. C. J. Upton,	3.00	
Walter Putney,	3.00	
Robert M. Ordway,	3.00	
C. J. Colby,	3.00	
Mrs. Ella M. Downing,	3.00	
E. M. Vail, pole for road machine,	4.50	
		<hr/> \$371.64

Charities:

Town Poor—

B. L. Freeman, M. D., services for E. Jamison,	\$5.00	
The above was refunded.		

County Poor—

Arthur M. Case, clothing for Wells child,	6.43	
B. L. Freeman, M. D., services for E. Jamison,	5.00	
Mrs. C. Hemphill, board for Wells child,	2.00	
B. L. Freeman, M. D., services for Mrs. Fred Bickford,	12.50	
George A. Robie & Son, groceries for Fred Bickford,	156.00	
L. T. Togus, M. D., services for Mrs. Fred Bickford,	15.00	
		<hr/> \$196.93

Net Estate of Eugene Jamison \$8.40
turned over to Mr. Britton, County
Commissioner.

*Detail Statement of Payments—Continued.**Town Maintenance.*

Patriotic Purposes:

Ernest Rowe, flags,	\$8.50	
Honor Roll,		
Martin Christianson, hauling and		
setting stone,	12.00	
T. F. McGann & Sons, bronze tablet,	92.00	
	<hr/>	\$112.50

Cemeteries:

Perley A. Clough, mowing grass,	
flags, and care of Evans yard,	\$15.00

Interest:

Paid on temporary loan,	\$62.50
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Unclassified:

Damages:

Ralph W. Jones, replacing wagon	
shaft,	\$5.00
Ovid Gilbault, damages to self,	
horse and wagon,	40.00
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	\$45.00

Indebtedness:

Payments on temporary loan in	
anticipation of taxes, National	
State Capital Bank,	\$3,000.00

Payments to Other Governmental

Divisions:

Taxes paid to State,	\$5,302.00	
Taxes paid to County,	1,761.43	
Payments to School District,	4,876.50	
	<hr/>	\$11,939.93

Total payments for all purposes,	<hr/>	\$27,255.57
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ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

1916.

Arthur Austin, left town,	\$2.00	
H. C. Colby, left town,	2.00	
W. K. Foote, left town,	2.00	
Frank B. Hemphill, over 70 years,	2.00	
W. P. Hickey, left town,	2.00	
Albin Nordine, error,	2.00	
Edward Palmer, left town,	2.00	
	<hr/>	\$14.00

1917.

J. G. Downing, in service,	\$2.00	
Arthur J. Foote, left town,	2.00	
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1918.

Henry A. Cheney, in service,	\$2.00	
Walter T. Cook, left town,	2.00	
Warren H. Colby, left town,	2.00	
Roy Crafts, left town,	2.00	
Jesse G. Downing, in service,	2.00	
Freeman Feathers, left town,	2.00	
Arthur J. Foote, left town,	2.00	
Robert W. Fowler, left town,	3.88	
Trueworthy Fowler, in service,	2.00	
Parker Morgan, left town,	2.00	
Carl Noyes, in service,	2.00	
Oliver Repeau, left town,	2.00	
Zenith Townsend, left town,	2.00	
John Tufts, left town,	2.00	
A. R. York, left town,	2.00	
F. B. Hemphill, over age,	2.00	
William Wheeler, error,	6.00	
	<hr/>	39.88

1919.

Wesley L. Wheeler, over age,	\$3.00	
John S. Needham, over age,	3.00	
Joseph G. Clough, over age,	3.00	

Abatement of Taxes—Continued.

George W. Albee, paid in Plymouth,	\$3.00	
Parker Morgan, left town,	3.00	
Ivo M. Noyes, left town,	3.00	
Leroy Crofts, left town,	3.00	
Roy L. Knox, left town,	3.00	
John Tufts, left town,	3.00	
Heirs of Amos Palmer, no property,	.38	
Heirs of A. Perley Fitch, no property,	6.00	
Arthur J. Woodbury, no property,	.75	
August Westman, over age,	3.00	
Estate of Ed. M. Dudevoise, property owned by soldier's widow,	12.00	
		<hr/> 49.13
		<hr/> \$107.01

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK.

Money received from dog tax,	\$126.73	
Number of dogs taxed, 59.		
Money received from auto tax,	50.02	
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Amount paid town treasurer,	\$176.75	
HOUGHTON FINCH.		

PRIVATE CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS.

The funds and accruing interest are in the Loan and Trust Savings Bank, Concord:

Sarah Upton fund,	\$111.57
Elmira Ordway fund,	285.10
Charles F. Hammond fund,	123.46
Andrew Gault fund,	134.74
David N. Morgan fund,	227.20
Addie I. Johnson fund,	121.28
Mary E. Childs	100.00

Nothing has been expended during the past year for the care of lots. The selectmen find it very difficult to get any one to attend to this work.

I, the undersigned, auditor of the selectmen's and treasurer's accounts for the year ending January 31, 1920, certify that I have examined said accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

FRANK E. COLBY,
Auditor.

January 31, 1920.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF BAKER FREE LIBRARY.

Receipts and disbursements of Robert W. Upton, treasurer, from February 15, 1919, to February 15, 1920.

RECEIPTS.

By cash received from Putnam Investment Co., interest due on investments,	\$500.00	
By cash received from Town of Bow,	25.00	
By cash received interest on Liberty bond,	8.44	
By balance on hand February 15,	25.86	
	<hr/>	\$559.30

DISBURSEMENTS.

To cash paid for books, magazines, etc.,	\$213.57	
To cash paid D. Waldo White,	75.00	
To cash paid Cora E. Woodbury, branch librarian,	10.00	
To cash paid Charles McKee, janitor,	21.00	
To cash paid Holman and Smith, insurance premiums,	92.50	
To cash paid H. H. Metcalf,	6.50	
To cash paid Orr & Rolfe, services,	4.20	
To cash paid for electric lights,	13.00	
To cash paid Tenney Coal Co.,	96.94	
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Balance, February 15, 1920,	\$26.69	
Securities on hand:		
Charles J. Lundquist, mortgage,	\$2,000.00	
Alvin Schulz, mortgage,	3,000.00	
John Oostendorp, mortgage,	5,000.00	
Liberty bonds,	200.00	
	<hr/>	\$10,200.00

Library Report—Continued.

The library has three branches located in the homes of the assistant librarians as follows: Mrs. Bertha Goodhue, Wood Hill; Mrs. Frank Woodbury, South Bow; Mrs. Hamilton Colby, Bog.

The library is yours and run for your benefit. Why not get your share of the good things it contains? If you can not call at the library use the branches and if you can not go yourself or send by a neighbor, drop a line to the library and the librarian will make a selection and send them to you.

Library Report—Continued.

BAKER FREE LIBRARY.

SOME RECENT ADDITIONS.

FICTION.

Dope,	Rohmer
Mare Nostrum,	Blasco-Ibanez
Confessions of Arsene Lupin,	Leblanc
Love Letters of a Rookie,	Streeter
Doings of Raffles Haw,	Doyle
Fiercehart, the Soldier,	Snaith
The Sea Wolf,	London
Margarita,	Champney
The Teeth of the Tiger,	Leblanc
Odd Craft,	Jacobs
Ship Company,	Jacobs
Captains All,	Jacobs
Many Cargoes,	Jacobs
Sailors' Knots,	Jacobs
Short Cruises,	Jacobs
A Master of Craft,	Jacobs
The Skipper's Wooing,	Jacobs
Knight Watches,	Jacobs
More Cargoes,	Jacobs
Sunwich Port,	Jacobs
Wandering Jew (6 vols.),	Sue
Luxury,	Sue
Pride (2 vols.),	Sue
Envy,	Sue
Avarice,	Sue
Mysteries of Paris (6 vols.),	Sue
The Knight of Malta,	Sue
Arthur,	Sue
Indolence,	Sue

AGRICULTURE.

The Potato,	Gilbert
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Library Report—Continued.

BIOGRAPHY.

Memoirs of M. Thiers,	Atkinson
Haphazard Personalities,	Lanman
Lincoln,	Tarbell

SPORTS.

With Gun and Guide,	Martindale
Big Game at Sea,	Holder

TRAVELS.

From Russia to Siam,	Young
Across the Andes,	Post
Voice of Africa (2 vols.),	Frobenius
A Journey to Java,	McMillan
The New Tripoli,	Braun
New Trails in Mexico,	Lumholtz

HISTORY.

Story of American Navy (2 vols.),	Abbot
Story of Our Army (2 vols.),	Abbot
The Buccaneers of America,	Esquemeling
Harper's History of the War in the Philippines,	Wilcox

HEALTH.

The A, B, C of Our Own Nutrition,	Fletcher
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HOUSEHOLD ARTS.

Housewifery,	Balderston
Clothing for Women,	Baldt
Dressmaking,	Fales

WAR.

With the Yankee Division in France,	Sibley
The Great War (3 vols.),	
Russia in Upheaval,	Ross
Colours of War,	Lang
Egypt in Transition,	Low

SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS.

Moderator.

WILLIAM J. FLANDERS.

Clerk.

WILLIAM A. WHITE.

School Board.

ALBERT G. LYFORD.

ANNIE W. STEVENS.

ADA A. MORGAN.

Treasurer.

EMMA P. CLOUGH.

Auditor.

ARTHUR M. CASE.

Truant Officer.

WILLIAM J. FLANDERS.

SCHOOL REPORT.

To the Citizens of the Town of Bow:

Five schools were maintained during the period of the school year and the work in most cases has been satisfactory.

Transportation from one school to another will more and more demand the attention of school boards in the future which will be an increasing expense.

There are eighty schools closed for the lack of teachers in the state and we consider ourselves fortunate to have only one school closed on that account.

"Good schools are the rule." We may realize betterment of our public schools only by the sympathetic co-operation of all connected with the school work and prepare to meet the State Board in all sensible and practical ways or emergencies.

ANNIE W. STEVENS,
Chairman, Bow School Board.

February 3, 1920.

*School Report—Continued.*DISTRICT TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE
YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 1919.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand September 1, 1918,	\$288.32	
Money required by law,	1,800.00	
Tuition,	950.00	
Repairs,	200.00	
Supplies,	200.00	
District officers,	109.00	
Literary money,	81.25	
Dog license,	111.40	
Additional money,	126.50	
Organ at Bow Mills,	5.00	
	<hr/>	\$3,871.47

EXPENDITURES.

Paid teachers' salaries,	\$2,760.00	
High School tuition,	835.50	
District officers,	147.99	
Supplies,	116.19	
Janitors,	64.00	
Wood and sawing,	222.50	
Cleaning houses,	17.00	
Incidentals,	26.89	
Repairs,	102.05	
Transportation,	296.00	
	<hr/>	\$4,588.12
Total receipts,		\$3,871.47
Amount overdrawn,		716.65
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Expenditures,		\$4,588.12

BERTHA M. GOODHUE,
District Treasurer.

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the district treasurer and find them correct.

ARTHUR M. CASE,
Auditor.

School Report—Continued.

BUDGET FOR 1920.

The following amounts will be needed for the coming year:

Money required to cover the deficit of last year,	\$716.65
Money required for salaries of school board,	195.00
Money required for truant officer,	20.00
Money required for school treasurer,	25.00
Money required for clerk,	3.00
Money required for moderator,	2.00
Money required for auditor,	2.00
Money required for all other school purposes, \$5.00 per thousand.	

ANNIE W. STEVENS,
 ADA A. MORGAN,
 EMMA P. CLOUGH,
Members of School Board.

ROLL OF HONOR.

FALL TERM, 1918.	SPRING TERM, 1919.
Mildred V. Colby.	Vincent G. Colby.
Vincent G. Colby.	Elizabeth Goodhue.
Elizabeth Goodhue.	Marjorie Goodhue.
Olive M. Woodbury.	Olive M. Woodbury.
Donald R. Knight.	Evelyn Chase.
Bernice F. Alexander.	Everett Chase.
Elizabeth B. Alexander.	Leo Duford.
Walter B. Alexander.	Bernice F. Alexander.
Roger Wessman.	Elizabeth B. Alexander.
Irene Hodgman.	Walter Alexander.
Ruth Clark.	Ruth Clark.
Irvin Gilson.	Evelyn Giguere.
Ruth Newell.	Exerina Giguere.
Arthur Newell.	Verne Giguere.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

To the School Board and Citizens:

I call your attention to certain provisions of the new school law which it is your privilege and duty to perform:

REGULATIONS FOR TEMPORARY APPROVAL OF
SCHOOLHOUSES.

For the School Year 1919-20 Only.

1. Lighting should be principally from the pupils' left and rear and no windows shall be permitted in the front of any schoolroom. The ratio of window area to floor area shall be not less than one to five. Ceilings shall be white or light cream color, and curtains of a light tint shall be provided wherever needed.

2. Equipment for heating must be adequate to furnish a minimum temperature of 68 degrees, and some provision must be made for ventilation without direct draft on the pupils.

3. Floors must be in good condition and oiled or swept with some dust-laying compound. Walls must be in good repair and painted some light color. Papered walls have only temporary approval.

4. Toilets must be in decent and in sanitary condition. They must be located in buildings free from obscene markings and furnishing proper privacy. The vaults must be fly-proof and properly ventilated. The seats should be provided with covers and in the boys' toilets a double seat or urinal should be provided. Single toilets for both sexes will not be approved except for small schools and then only if the entrance is from the schoolroom only.

5. Water for drinking must be provided in properly covered receptacle with faucet or bubbler. Facilities for washing the hands must also be provided. Common towels or drinking cups are prohibited by regulations of the State Board of Health.

6. Every schoolhouse must be provided, as required by law, with a flag and the proper means for displaying it.

7. This list of minimum requirements for temporary approval is intended to cover only such changes as are required to make schoolhouses decent and safe for children, and in many cases will be less than has been already done. Full regulations for the permanent approval of schoolhouses will be prepared and placed in the hands of school boards before the budgets for the next school year are made up. These regulations will require the adoption of a progressive plan of schoolhouse betterment.

8. It is the duty of all school boards to see that all schoolhouses are properly cleaned and that they are kept in clean and sanitary condition by suitable janitor service. Vaults should be cleaned at least twice each year and some effective deodorant provided for constant use. Proper care of school buildings is as essential to their approval as their construction.

REGULATIONS OF HEALTH AND PHYSICAL WELFARE.

For the Year 1919-20 Only.

All which have adopted medical inspection in accordance with the Laws of 1913, Chapter 83, shall comply with the provisions of the law.

In all other districts there shall be employed, as the school board may direct, a school physician, or a school nurse or school nurses, who shall make not less than one annual examination of pupils, note and record their physical condition, together with diseases and defects, including dental defects, notify teachers and parents and, with the aid of teachers and superintendents, labor to secure remedial treatment when necessary, provided, however, in districts where the school physician and nurses are under the local board of health, such control shall be exercised by said board. All tests shall be made as the law provides and all reports made upon prescribed forms.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

Unless excused for physical or mental reasons, any child of school age must attend a public or an approved private school all the time such school is in session.

It is the particular duty of the truant officer to see that this law is enforced.

I know of no other law so frequently violated by otherwise law-abiding citizens as is the School Attendance Law.

Detaining pupils at home for work, for the purpose of purchasing clothing for them or allowing them to attend moving picture shows in the afternoon or visiting friends, are the excuses usually received by the teachers for absences.

It is quite evident that the parent or custodian does not realize that he is not only breaking a useful law but is making a truant of the pupil.

The effect of non-attendance at school is most pernicious both to pupil and school. A day out of school is a day lost in the pupil's school life. A large percentage of retardation or lack of promotion is caused by irregular attendance.

A child of normal bodily and mental health should have completed the eight grades of school work by the age of fourteen or earlier.

If for no other reason than a financial one a parent should cause his child to attend school regularly as the Attendance and the Child Labor Laws prohibit the employment of children under fourteen years of age.

AMERICANIZATION.

A number of factors growing out of the World War forcibly aroused a nation-wide interest in Americanization. The Surgeon-General of the Army submitted a report showing the illiteracy in the draft camps.

Tests made in the twenty-eight camps showed an average of illiteracy of 24.9 per cent. This represents a percentage of the illiterates between the ages of twenty-one and thirty-one.

These men are presumably recently out of school and illiteracy is less between these ages than between any other adult years.

If this percentage is one to four in our best class (not able to read a newspaper or write a letter home) what would be the number of all our people unable to read and write?

These facts and similar awakened in our people the need of education, of the foreign-born, in the English language and American ideals.

THE TEACHER-SHORTAGE AND SALARY.

General Frank S. Streeter, chairman of the New Hampshire State Board of Education, at a Conference at Durham, December 31, 1919, said:

"There are now 50 of our schools closed because of lack of teachers, and probably 80 or more will be closed within a few weeks. From statistical experience we may expect there will be withdrawals of between 400 and 450 teachers at the end of the present year. Our two Normal Schools will graduate less than 100, which is about the usual number.

"There is no certainty of filling the vacant places with a sufficient number of competent teachers.

"The State Board frankly admits that the situation is serious and is a cause for anxiety, but it is not ready to admit that New Hampshire cannot protect itself and its schools against the threatening danger."

It is an acknowledged fact that the shortage has been caused by the low salaries paid teachers as compared with wages paid stenographers, clerical positions, and women laborers in other industries.

The remedy is a salary increase.

In making a salary schedule, I quote from the report of the United States Commissioner of Education:

I. "The salary of a teacher at the very least, should be a living wage large enough that a teacher may live in comfort, purchase necessary books for professional reading and

culture and to take part in the social life of the community. The salary should be sufficient not only for these present needs but large enough for a saving account."

II. "The maximum salary should be large enough to retain the services of the most efficient teachers and to induce others to enter the profession."

I ask of the citizens their hearty co-operation, as in former years, for carrying into effect completely the new requirements of the School Regulations and Laws.

In order that this may be accomplished a sufficiently large appropriation must be made at the Annual School District Meeting. Otherwise it will devolve upon the State Authorities and the expense charged to the district.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY S. ROBERTS.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

FOR YEAR ENDING JULY 15, 1919.

School.	Teacher.	Salary per month.	No. of weeks.	Total enrollment.	Average attendance.	Visitors.
Bow Mills	Marion A. Smith	\$60	35	33	19	100
White	Annie E. Stevens	48	32	16	7	31
	Elizabeth Chase					
Wood Hill	Maud F. Putney	60	35	21	15	81
Bog	Ruth M. West	48	35	11	9	37
South Bow	Cora E. Woodbury	48	35	13	9	18
River Road	Alice Strickford	60	24	21	10	23
	Minnie Noyes					

VITAL STATISTICS.

TO THE SELECTMEN OF BOW: In compliance with an act of the Legislature passed at the June session, 1877, requiring "clerks of towns and cities to furnish a transcript of the record of births, marriages and deaths to the municipal officers for publication in the annual reports," I hereby submit the following:

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF BOW FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1919.

Date of birth.	Name of the child (if any).	Sex.	Sex and condition. Living or stillborn.	No. of child.	Name of father.	Maiden name of mother.	Residence of parents.	Occupation of father.	Birthplace of father.	Birthplace of mother.
Jan. 25	Anglemay Estelle	F.	L.	4	Nacisu Cantaron	Aurore Anger	Bow	R.R. sec. hand	Canada	Canada
May 1	Evelyn May	F.	L.	6	John A. Forcier	Evelyn Morrissette	"	Section land	Deerfield	Dunbarton
June 2		F.	S.	3	Guy M. Luce	Ida A. McCrillis	"	Mill hand	Bow	Grafton
Aug. 22	Fred Forest.	M.	L.	1	Henry E. Drew	Ella M. Palmer	"	Spinner	Hooksett	Hooksett
Sept. 10	Mary Rachel	F.	L.	3	Moses Bernbe	Claudia Cowchene	"	Farmer	Isle La Motte, Vt.	Ashland
Sept. 17		F.	L.	6	Lee R. Craft	Mabel York	"	Farmer	Springfield, Mass.	Yonkers. N. Y.
Dec. 18	Charles Marshall	M.	L.	3	Russell M. Warren	Mary E. Ash	"			

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

HOUGHTON FINCH,
Town Clerk.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF BOW FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1919.

Date of death.	Name and surname of deceased.	Age.		Place of birth.		Occupation.	Place of birth.		Mother.	Name of father.	Maiden name of mother.
		Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	Sex.		Father.				
						Single, married or widow.					
Jan. 4	Meurle A. Guilbault	4	9	1	Bow	M. S.	Laborer	Canada	Manchester	Ovid C. Guilbault	Mary Guerin
Feb. 23	Eugene D. Jameson	64	7	17	Vermont	M. W.		Canada	Canada	James Jameson	Caroline Merrill
May 14	Evelyn May Forcier			14	Bow	F. S.		Canada	Dunbarton	John A. Forcier	Evelyn Morrissette
June 2	____ Luce				"	F. S.		Deerfield		Guy M. Luce	Ida A. McChrill
June 24	Emma Farrington Case	58	7	10	Lowell, Mass.	F. M.	Housewife			Orrin Farrington	Sarah Vellie
June 28	George Dana Humbley	69	1	10	Topsham, Vt.	M. M.	Carriage maker	Topsham, Vt.	Grantham	Augustus D. Huntley	Mehitable Jane Perkins

BROUGHT TO BOW, THE BODIES FOLLOWING, FROM OUTSIDE TOWNS.

Mar. 15	Mary E. Drew	57	3	29	F.	M.	Housewife				Parker Morgan	Ethel McChrill
April 13	Barbara May Morgan		3	1	F.	S.		Bow	Concord		Martin Christianson	Sevemia Johnson
April 20	Christianson	67	11	26	M.	S.		Norway	Norway		Ira Woodbury	Harriet S. Davis
June 2	Laura Woodbury Heath	72	10	28	F.	W.		Dunbarton	Bow			
Dec. 13	Warren C. Saltmarsh				M.							

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

HOUGHTON FINCH,
Town Clerk.

